(xii) Equity participation in deep sea fishing and processing projects.

(xiii) Assistance for setting up of cold chain.

Scheme for re-imbursement of Central Excise Duty on High Speed Diesel Oil

3920. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether under the Plan Schemes for encouraging the deep-sea fishing sector, there is a scheme to re-imburse Central Excise Duty on High Speed Diesel Oil;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government are aware that many pioneering fishing companies based in Andhra Pradesh have been deprived of this facility;

(c) what measures Government have initiated to rectify this anomoly; and

(d) whether Government would take up the issue of rectifying the existing weaknesses in the scheme with all concerned Ministries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) No, Sir. However, there is a scheme to reimburse a part of the cost of High Speed Diesel Oil consumed by the deep sea fishing vessels. This scheme is being implemented by Marine Products Export Development Authority, (MPEDA). The scheme is an export linked subsidy scheme.

(b) No fishing vessel owner, who is eligible for availing the subsidy under the above mentioned export linked subsidy scheme of MPEDA, has been deprived of the facility.

(c) and (d) Does not arise.

Supply of Medicines in CGHS Dispensary

3921. SHRI MOHAMMED AMIN : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the indented medicines are supplied after lapse of 8 to 12 days to beneficiaries of CGHS dispensary of Palam Colony, if so, what are the rules in this regard and the details of violation of the rules by the authorities of that dispensary during the last three months; and

(b) what is the name of concerned chemist agency attached to the dispensary of Palam Colony and the action taken against it for not supplying the medicines in time?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) The concerned chemist is under contractual obligation to deliver the indented medicines either on the same day or the next day at the premises of the dispensary. However, on a few occasions during the past three months, indented medicines were not supplied in time by M/s. Suri Medicos for which he has been suitably warned.

Abolition of Capitation Fee in Medical Colleges

3922. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:
Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether despite government's policy to abolish the system of capitation fee prevalent in medical colleges in different States; the system is still rampant in different forms;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what effective steps are contemplated to do away with the system?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) No such cases have come to the notice of the Central Government after the Supreme Court announced its judgement on 4th February, 1993 and observed that there is no room or occasion for the management or any one else on its behalf to demand or collect any amount beyond what is permitted. Appropriate action is to be taken by the State Governments concerned to fix the ceiling on fees of private medical colleges and for regulating the admissions.

Rabies Cases in India

3923. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an alarming 70 per cent of the fatal rabies cases in the world are reported from India in the year 1992;

(b) if so, what are the factors responsible for this; and

(c) what measures are proposed to check this?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) A high percentage of rabies cases are reported from India. Uncontrolled stray canine population, lack of immunisation and epidemiological surveillance programmes are some of the factors responsible for this.

(c) The Agriculture Ministry is supporting a programme for the Control of Rabies in selected metropolitan cities under a Centrally Sponsored scheme since the Sixth Plan.

Deaths due to Cholera and Gastroenteritis in M.P.

3924. SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons who have died of cholera and gastroenteritis in Madhya Pradesh during the past six months;

(b) the number of persons who have died in Rewa District in May and June, 1993; and

(c) whether Government have enquired the reasons for the deaths and what follow up action has been taken?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) According to the State Govt. there were 180 deaths due to gastroenteritis and no death due to cholera during January—June, 1993, out of which 20 deaths due to gastroenteritis were reported from Rewa district during May and June, 1993.

The State Government have taken the following steps to control cholera and gastroenteritis cases:—

(i) Combat teams were set up at district and block level to monitor the situation. Adequate medicines were made available with the combat teams.

(ii) Purification of drinking water was done by putting bleaching powder in wells in chlorine tablets were also distributed for purifying drinking water.

(iii) Distribution of oral rehydration solution in sufficient quantity was made

3925. [*Transferred to 27th August, 1993*]

Supply of substandard medicines to Bombay Municipal Corporation

3926. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of Government that a leading pharmaceutical dealer, who will have a contract for supply of medicines to Bombay Municipal Corporation in the past several years has sold substandard or spurious drugs worth Rs. 3.4 lakhs to as many as 25 civic dispensaries/hospitals during the last few months;

(b) if so, steps taken by Government to contain the substandard drugs being supplied to the BMC and action taken by Government to apprehend the persons;

(c) whether any investigation has been made to apprehend the persons and punish them; and

(d) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Food & Drug Administration of Maharashtra carried out raids at various places during April to June, 1993 and seized stocks of spurious drugs from the suppliers. Six persons were arrested in this connection. A complaint has been filed in the Court of Law against the accused persons on 30-6-93, under the provisions of Drugs & Cosmetics Act, 1940 and Rules thereunder.

(d) Does not arise.

Death in Hindu Rao Hospital

3927. DR. NAUNIHAL SINGH:
SHRI NARAIN PRASAD GUPTA;
SHRI SHIV CHARAN SINGH:
SHRI SANGH PRIYA GAUTAM:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Naresh Jain (24) admitted to Hindu Rao Hospital died swiftly after administering an injection; the details thereof;

(b) whether Government conducted any investigation on the instantaneous death of Naresh Jain under extraordinary circumstances;

(c) if so, what are the findings of the